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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(d) WITH STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(e) AND FEE (\$1.17(p))**

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SIR :

Submitted herewith are the following:

- (1) Copy of a Korean Office Action dated September 8, 2008 (and English translation thereof) issued in a counterpart Korean application;
- (2) Copies of cited publications (except U.S. patents and publications);
- (3) IDS Form; and
- (4) A form 2038 is enclosed to cover the USPTO fee of \$180.00 as set forth under 37 CFR 1.17(p) for filing an IDS at this stage of prosecution (after allowance and before payment of the Issue Fee).

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An English translation of said Korean Office Action is provided, thereby satisfying the requirements for a concise explanation of relevance for any non-English language publications cited therein (MPEP 609 III A(3)).

**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1)**

Each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the present Information Disclosure Statement. Said Communication bears a mailing date of September 8, 2008. Therefore, the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement is timely under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97(e).

It is requested that an initialed copy of the IDS Form be returned to indicate that the publications listed therein have been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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